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 ELECTRONIC DEVICES

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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Preliminary to examination, please enter and consider the following amendment and remarks for the above patent application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1, 4, 17, 21, 26 and 32 as follows:

*A1*  
 1. (Amended) A remote control, comprising:

a memory pre-programmed with addresses and commands for a plurality of electronic devices for a home theatre system;

a processor capable of communicating with the memory to access the addresses and commands for the plurality of electronic devices;

an initiation device capable of communicating with the processor so that when the initiation device is activated the processor encodes an address and a command into a signal for each electronic device in the plurality of electronic devices; and